

PURPOSE

Maximize Department of Defense (DoD) buying power by acquiring and managing commercially available information technology and selected services on a DoD-wide basis. Establish Software Asset Management Framework, and the Virtual IT Marketplace, to finally achieve “point and click information technology shopping at lowest cost”.

ESI METHODOLOGY

The ESI Working Group is comprised of members from the major DoD Components, and is chaired by an OASD(NII)/CIO staffer, and co-chaired by a Service (Navy, Army, or Air Force) Working Group representative. DoD Component executive agents appoint

a Software Product Manager (SPM) to consolidate requirements and develop a business case, negotiate best value deals, and administer the resulting agreements.

Best prices in DoD are specified by DFARS and the DoD 5000 series.

- Market leading, high-demand commercial software products
- JTA compliant products promote interoperability
- Encourage competition among software OEMs and resellers
- ESI Software Product Managers recoup administration costs

DoD-WIDE POLICY BASICS

- DoD, Army, Air Force and Navy policies mandate use of ESI. Check www.don-imit.navy.mil/esi for latest agreements and policy specifics
- Must buy from existing ESI inventory first
- Must compare pricing, Terms & Conditions on ESI agreements before buying from other sources or creating new buying vehicles
- Acquire & manage commercial software as DoD asset; aggregate requirements!
- DoD Contractors should be encouraged to use ESI agreements IAW FAR 51.101
- Enterprise Software Agreements (ESA) are the buying vehicles through which ESI

PRODUCT CATEGORY LEAD & SPM

Business & Modeling Tools	Army
Collaboration Tools	Army
Database Management	Army
Enterprise Architecture Tools	Army
Enterprise Management	Air Force
Enterprise Resource Planning	Navy
Info Assurance Tools	Air Force
Office Systems	Navy
Operating Systems	DISA
Records Management	Air Force
Research and Advisory Services	Navy
Systems Integration Services	Navy

SUCCESS STORIES

- Single DoD-wide agreement for Microsoft desktop and server products!
- DoD Business Initiative Council "Quick Hit Initiative". Software Asset Management Framework, and Virtual IT Marketplace projects authorized.
- CAC Middleware agreements now in place.
- Section 508 (Rehabilitation Act) software at up to 40% off GSA FSS

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